

## APPENDIX E: SELECTED ACQUISITIONS

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### GIFTS OF THE MADISON COUNCIL

*A collection of flowers, drawn after nature & disposed in an ornamental & picturesque manner*, by John Edwards (1801), purchased for the Rare Book and Special Collections Division by Madison Council member Carol Price.

*Centuria Plantarum Rariorum Rossiae Meridionalis*, by Friedrich Marschall von Bieberstein (1810), purchased for the Rare Book and Special Collections Division by Madison Council member Carol Price.

A collection of 413 Lontar manuscripts in the traditional Balinese script on palm leaves, purchased through the generosity of Madison Council member John E. Velde Jr.

A 1,200-volume set, *Supplement to the Complete Library of Four Branches of Literature*, purchased with funds from Madison Council member Ray Smith.

Papers of the American Slave Trade, Series A, part 1 (twenty-three microfilm reels), and FBI File on the House Committee on Un-American Activities (nine microfilm reels), acquired with funds from Madison Council members Edward and Joyce Miller.

A six-inch Joslin globe on a Fitz mount, manufactured in Boston by Ginn & Heath (ca. 1880). The globe sphere was produced by Gilman Joslin, but the significance of this work relates to the mounting, which was invented by Ellen Eliza Fitz. Fitz's globe mounts were designed to illustrate the path of the sun and the durations of day and night around the globe throughout the year. Fitz obtained a patent on her globe innovation in 1875. This piece is the first example of a Fitz globe in the Library's collections. It was a gift of Shirley Phillips of the Madison Council.

*Lawrence Fagan's Township Map of Berks County Pennsylvania from Actual Surveys* (Philadelphia: H. F. Bridgens, 1862). This atlas includes thirty single-page maps, plus one folding colored map. It is a milestone in American cartography, establishing the standard for the thousands of county landownership atlases subsequently issued in the United States. This atlas was a gift of Madison Council member Mitzi Perdue.

New additions in the Jefferson Library Project to reconstruct the collection in the original catalog of Thomas Jefferson's library.

### OTHER ACQUISITIONS

The 1507 map of the New World by Martin Waldseemüller, one of the great treasures of American and world history. The map is the earliest multisheet printed wall map, made up of twelve sheets, each measuring 16.5 inches by 23.25 inches, resulting in a map that measures 4.5 feet by 8 feet, or a total of 36 square feet overall. Sometimes referred to as "America's birth certificate" because it was the first to refer to the New World as America, the map that the Library purchased is in mint condition and is the

only extant copy from the original edition of 1,000 copies. The Library reached agreement with the previous owner, Prince Johannes Waldburg-Wolfegg, in June to purchase the map for \$10 million. The Library made an initial payment and received the map this year. The government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the German state of Baden-Württemberg granted an export license for the map, which is registered in the German comprehensive list of valuable national cultural property, so that it could be acquired by the Library of Congress.

The Jackie Robinson papers, consisting of more than 7,000 items relating to the great baseball player and businessman, given to the Library by Mrs. Rachel Robinson.

Nineteen rare Persian manuscripts obtained by the Library's Islamabad field office, including *Shams al-Nadar*, the first periodical printed in Afghanistan (1873) and the only copy held in the United States, and a nineteenth-century inscribed Islamic flag from Sudan, one of the earliest extant items from an African liberation movement and one that uses a special form of Arabic script.

Ramon Soley's *Atlas de Barcelona*, containing maps, descriptions, and accounts of voyages from 1572 to 1900, and *Cartografía antigua de Guayana* (Caracas: CVG-Electrificación Caroní [Edelca], 2000), both obtained by the Geography and Map Division. The latter is an atlas of cartographic material based on existing maps that were gathered from various locations, including museums, foundations, universities, libraries, and public and private collections.

Contemporary maps, including *Gran Atlas de Canarias* (Editorial Interinsular Canaria), which contains more than 16,000 views of the Canary archipelago, made possible through the most advanced technical and cartographic imaging available.

A purchase of 2,012 sheets of 1:200,000 scale topographical maps covering Alaska, Canada, Iceland, and Greenland from the Library's Russian vendor, East View. The purchase will strengthen the Library's collection of Russian maps.

*Real Expedición Botánica del Nuevo Reino de Granada (1783–1816)*, which was published under the auspices of the governments of Spain and Colombia in collaboration with the Institutos de Cultura Hispánica de Madrid y Bogota, and *Mapas de América en los Libros Españoles de los siglos XVI al XVII (1503–1798)* (reprint of 1955 edition) and *Mapas de América y Filipinas en los libros Españoles de los siglos XVI al XVII (Apéndice a los de América, adición de los de Filipinas)* from the Ministerio de Asuntos Exteriores in Madrid.

Three fifteenth-century books, including an edition of Ovid's work published by Fasti in Venice (1482), acquired by the Rare Book and Special Collections Division.

Editions of works by W. E. B. DuBois and Langston Hughes, as well as Harlem Renaissance authors Zora Neale Hurston and Countee Cullen, added by the Rare Book and Special Collections Division's collections of African American authors.

Significant new manuscript acquisitions included the papers of Martin Agronsky, radio and TV journalist; Clark Clifford, President Lyndon Johnson's secretary of defense and Democratic Party elder statesman; Stuart Eizenstat, President Jimmy Carter's chief of staff; Lynn Margulis, biologist; Vera Rubin, astronomer; and Malcolm Toon, former U.S. ambassador to the Soviet Union. Major additions to the manuscript collections of the following individuals were received: Harry Blackmun, Robert Bork, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Sol Linowitz, Daniel Patrick Moynihan, Paul Nitze, Eliot Richardson, and Philip Roth.

Two artistically significant additions to the Library's poster collections: Alphonse Mucha's *art nouveau* masterpiece, "La dame aux camelias" of 1896, depicting the actress Sarah Bernhardt, and Anton Lavinsky's iconic, Constructivist-style movie poster of 1926 for the revolutionary film, *Battleship Potemkin*.

A first edition of the classic story *A Christmas Carol*, by Charles Dickens. Published in London by Chapman and Hall (1843), the book is a gift of John L. Stahl.

*Los Vascos en la Argentina: Familias y protagonismo*, a one-volume study of Basque genealogy in Argentina, containing brief accounts of 2,000 Basque families that immigrated to Argentina during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Published in Buenos Aires by Fundación Vasco Argentina "Juan de Garay" (2000), this purchase constitutes a major contribution to Basque genealogy.

Several collections of historically important newspapers on microfilm: *El Litoral*, an Argentine daily that was published in Paraná, Entre Ríos, from 1918 through 1929, on 65 reels; *Nueva Epoca*, a historically significant daily published in Santa Fe, Argentina, 1899–1930, on 131 reels; and 92 reels of microfilmed Lithuanian and Yiddish newspapers for the period between the world wars and earlier. The latter was purchased from the Lithuanian National Library.

Several major microform collections, acquired by the European Division, including a collection of articles from eighteenth- and nineteenth-century German periodicals; the *Deutsches Biographisches Archiv 1960–1999*; the *Polskie Archiwum Biograficzne, Seria Nowa*; and the Bibliothèque Nationale de France's *Catalogues du Département des Arts du Spectacle*.

Approximately 43,000 microfiche of some 15,000 Arabic manuscripts in the British Library, acquired by the African and Middle Eastern Division. The acquisition makes the Library's collection the largest Arabic manuscript collection in the United States.